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REMARKS

Applicant has preliminarily amended the application to complete the priority claim for this application. Because this amendment has been filed within four months of the filing date of the application, no fee is due.

A version of any replacement paragraphs, on separate pages from the amendment, marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraphs (underlining or bracketing) is also provided herewith in conformance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(b)(1)(iii).

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the undersigned attorneys at (312) 704-1890.

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In the priority claim on page 1:

This application is a continuation-in-part application of <u>United States patent</u> application Serial No. [(Not Yet Assigned)] <u>09/959,226</u>, filed on October 18, 2001 and entitled "Humidity Controller"[; this application also], <u>which</u> claims the benefit of <u>PCT patent application No. PCT/NZ00/00156</u> which has an international filing date of <u>August 9, 2000</u>, New Zealand patent application No. 337382 which has a filing date of August 23, 1999, and New Zealand patent application No. 507663 which has a filing date of October 19, 2000. The International Application (PCT/NZ00/00156) [which] was published by the International Bureau in English on March 1, 2001 under International Publication Number WO 01/13981 A1.